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SUBJECT: JSP MISSION TO ROK

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

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1. ASAHI REPORTER, WHO IS CLOSE TO JSP CHAIRMAN EDA AND PLAYED A ROLE IN PROMOTING EDA MISSION TO US LAST FALL, ECHOED VIEWS EXPRESSED BY ENDO IN REFTEL AND WAS VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF JSP VISIT TO ROK. HE SAID THAT IN ORDER FOR EDA TO GAIN JSP APPROVAL FOR MISSION IT WAS NECESSARY FOR HIM TO USE INVESTIGATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE AS PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF MISSION AND THAT EDA WOULD HAVE TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS -- PROBABLY DISTASTEFUL TO ROK -- ON HIS RETURN. HE EXPECTED, HOWEVER, THAT EDA WOULD HANDLE HIMSELF IN A RESPONSIBLE AND BALANCED MANNER.

2. ASAHI MAN STRONGLY BELIEVES THAT JSP MISSION WOULD LEAD TO GREATER JSP UNDERSTANDING OF KOREAN PROBLEMS AND THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTACTS IN ROK MIGHT HELP EVENTUALLY TO BALANCE OFF JSP'S ONE-SIDED SUPPORT OF ALL
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NORTH KOREAN POSITIONS. REPORTER NOTED THAT JSP HAVING

PROBLEMS ARRANGING INVITATION FROM APPROPRIATE ROK
GROUP AND THAT PURPOSE OF SUGIYAMA VISIT IS TO
INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITIES.
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